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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
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To: CID Chief  
 Division ALS Focal Person  
 Education Program Specialist-ALS  
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 All Others Concerned

**FINAL VALIDATION OF ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS)  
 PORTFOLIO INCLUDING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES LEARNERS  
 FOR THE 2025 ACCREDITATION AND EQUIVALENCY (A&E) TEST**

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) implements the Alternative Learning System (ALS) to provide equitable learning opportunities to out-of-school youth and adults. Through the Accreditation and Equivalency (A&E) Test, learners may obtain certification equivalent to formal elementary or secondary education. For the School Year 2025-2026, the conduct of the Accreditation & Equivalency Test will be on March 29, 2026 as per Memorandum OULS-2026-2-079.
2. A mandatory requirement prior to endorsement for the A&E Test is the submission and final validation of a Learning Portfolio, which documents the learners' acquired competencies, performance outputs and projects, work and life experiences and reflective learning evidence. Hence, the conduct of the Final Validation of Alternative Learning System (ALS) Portfolio Including Indigenous Peoples Learners for the 2025 Accreditation and Equivalency (A&E) Test on March 2-3, 2026 in Goldbar Hotel & Restaurant, Tandag City.
3. The objectives of the activity are as follows:
  - a. Conduct uniform and standardized final portfolio validation in all 21 districts;
  - b. Verify completeness, authenticity, and competency alignment of portfolios; and
  - c. Identify qualified learners for final endorsement to the A&E Test.
4. Participants of the activity are all the ALS teachers of Surigao del Sur Division. They shall bring the Presentation Portfolio of all learners registered in the 2025 Accreditation & Equivalency Test, both in the elementary and Junior High School.
5. The Division ALS Focal Person and Education Program Specialist in ALS shall take a lead in validating the portfolio including the preparation and submission of reports to the regional office.



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6. Expenses incurred for meals , snacks and accommodation of participants shall be taken from ALS & IPed Program Support Fund (PSF) subject to the usual budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations. Travelling expenses of ALS teachers shall be charged to SEF/local funds.
7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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Encl.: Final Validation of ALS Portfolio  
 Reference: Memorandum OULS-2026-2-079  
 To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
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